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REPORT NO.

TITLE Moson Metal Processing Works in Mosonmagyaróvár

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EVALUATION

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REMARKS

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1. The Moson Metal Processing Works (Mosonmagyaróvári Fémfeldolgozó NV) at 9 Lejtasz Street in Mosonmagyaróvár (P 48/Y 1b) was located southwest of the Lajta River and was a nationalized plant which had formerly produced sporting cartridges, detonators and metal goods.
2. The plant consisted of departments including a pencil producing department, a copper cutting department, an aluminum and an iron cutting department, a foundry, a pressing department, a bar drawing mill, a gas hearth producing department, a gas meter producing department, an electrolytic oxidation department, a tinsmith's workshop, a machine repairing shop and a tool workshop. It was equipped with machinery mainly of German make and was supplied with current by the Bánhida (Q 48/Y 94) power station or its own generating plant which was overhauled in January 1952 and was capable to cover the plant's demand and that of the town.¹
3. The plant produced gas hearths, gas meters, propelling pencils, greasing implements for machines and V-19-type mine detonators. The production of V-19-type mine detonators which had started in January 1952 and amounted to about 1,200 detonators per month involved more and more departments of the plant with a view to reach a monthly output of 5,000 detonators and to gradually abandon the production of all other articles. The works produced products of good quality and, in 1951, was awarded the first prize for factories of the third category in a quality competition. Source was not in a position to give information on the origin of the raw materials.
4. The plant had a working staff of about 1,200 to 1,300 persons including about 750 women. The iron and aluminum cutting department worked in three shifts, the copper cutting department and the bar drawing mill in two shifts and all other departments in one shift.
5. The leading staff of the plant consisted of persons including Ernő Kertész, serving as general manager of the plant, who was about 40 years old, 160 cm tall, had black hair and was a former mechanic; Leiczinger (fnu), serving as technical manager, who was about 36 to 38 years old, 170 cm tall, slender, had a lean pock-marked face, brown hair and was a former laborer; Viktor Gede, serving as chief engineer of the technical department, who was about 28 years

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old, 175 cm tall, had a round face and brown hair; Maria Molnar, serving as chief of the personnel department, who was about 38 years old, had a round face, black hair and was slender; Antal Vitez, serving as MDP secretary, who was 33 years old, 168 cm tall, slender, and was a former foundry moulder; Mihaly Prejer, serving as secretary of the works council, who was about 26 years old, 165 cm tall, had a longish face, fair hair, and was a former lathe operator; Laszlo Csapo, serving as chief of the labor department, who was about 38 years old, 180 cm tall, slender, had a longish face, brown hair, and was a former joiner. No Soviet specialists or deportees were employed in the plant.

6. It was rumored among the working staff that the whole plant was to be transferred to the interior of the country. Old lathes were, however, still mounted in the plant.

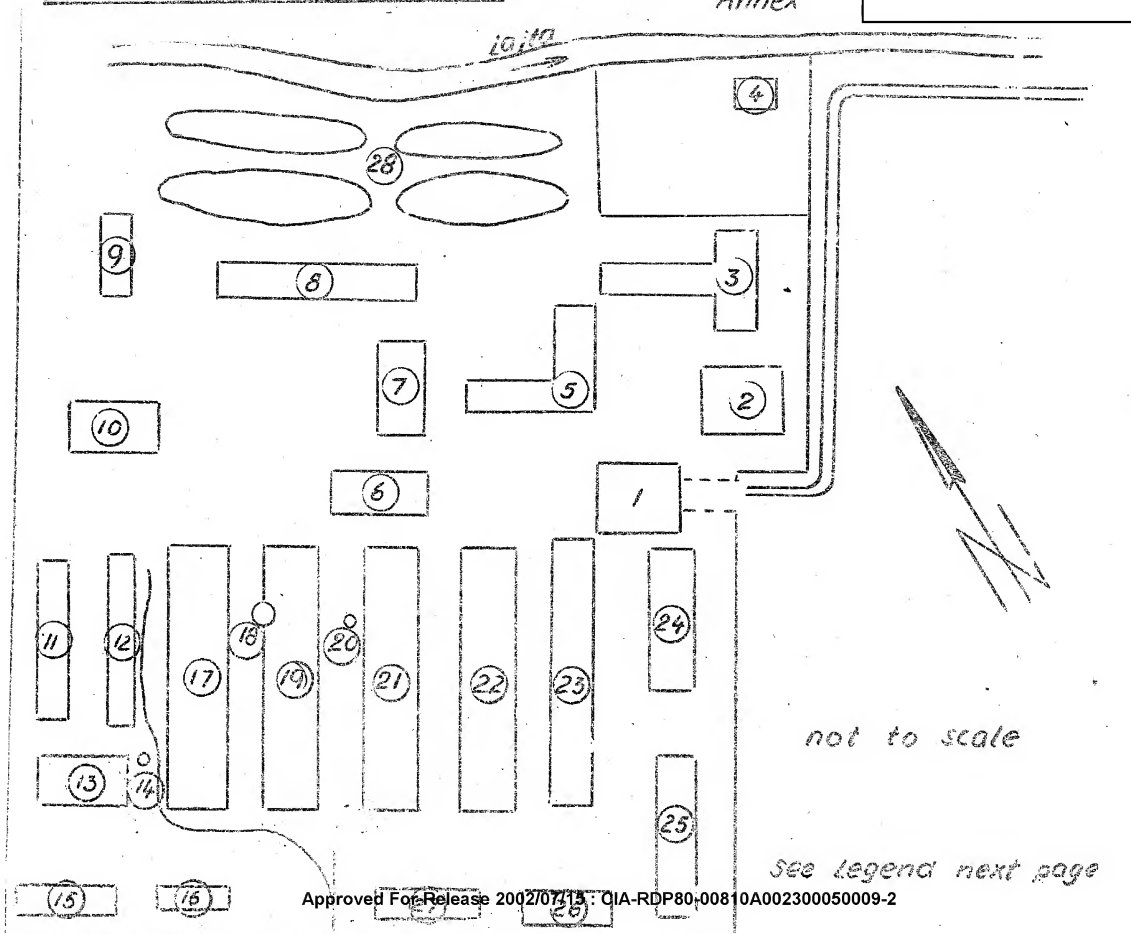
☐ Comment. For sketch with legend of the plant, see Annex.

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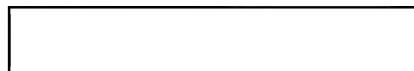
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Legend

- 1 Gate keeper box, a one-story building, 8x10 meters.
- 2 Offices, a two-story building, 20x30 meters.
- 3 One-story buildings, 30x10 meters and 20x10 meters, housing the material storeroom and the dispensary.
- 4 Concrete air raid shelter, 30x30 meters.
- 5 Repair and tool workshop, a one-story building, about 40x35x10 meters.
- 6 Office of the foundry and material testing department, a one-story building, 20x8 meters, with an air raid shelter in the basement.
- 7 Nickeling shop, a one-story building, 30x15 meters.
- 8 Joiner's shop, a wooden one-story building, 50x8 meters.
- 9 Electrolytic oxidation department, a one-story building, 10x8 meters.
- 10 Store house for metals, a one-story building, 30x20 meters.
- 11 Machinery shed, a wooden one-story building, 30x20 meters.
- 12 Store house for paper and aluminum chips, a wooden one-story building, 32x20 meters.
- 13 Bar drawing mill, a one-story building, 45x10 meters, with a drawing roller for aluminum and copper ingots.
- 14 Chimney.
- 15 Gas meter producing department, a one-story building, 30x10 meters.
- 16 Air raid shelter, 15x8 meters.
- 17 Pressing department, a one-story building, 50x10 meters, with various German made eccentric presses with single and transmission drives.
- 18 Chimney.
- 19 Foundry and pressing department, a one-story building, 50x10 meters, with six coke and two crude oil heated furnaces.
- 20 Chimney.
- 21 Aluminum and iron cutting departments, a one-story building, 50x10 meters, with 12 Pittler-type lathes of German make, 4 milling machines and several Hassler-type lathes.
- 22 A one-story building, 50x10 meters, housing the copper cutting department, which was equipped with an unidentified number of small and large Hassler-type lathes of German make; the pencil producing plant equipped with 6 German made drawing machines, 3 eccentric presses, 2 small sawing machines, 6 tapping machines and 2 electrically driven boring and drilling machines; and the tinsmith's shop equipped with one set of electric tin shears.

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Annex to



- 23 A one-story building, 50x10 meters, housing offices.
- 24 A one-story building, 25x8 meters, housing offices.
- 25 A one-story building, 30x10 meters, housing the fire brigade.
- 26 Air raid shelter, 15x8 meters.
- 27 Air raid shelter, 15x8 meters.
- 28 Earth dams.

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1. [] the Artillerie Kaserne, Eberswalde, was occupied by about 3,000 troops. Source expressed the belief that the 10 apartment houses were occupied by at least 40 officer families. Intensive activity but no training were observed in the barracks area.

2. On 26 July, the Schuetzen Kaserne was occupied by about 3,500 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets with tank, artillery and motor transport insignia; blue-bordered black epaulets with signal insignia; a headquarters, which included 250 officers; and 150 uniformed women who wore red-bordered black epaulets with tank insignia. A JSU-122 gun and 3 radio trucks with covered numbers were seen in the barracks area. Between 12 and 26 July, troops were repeatedly seen drilling in the barracks yard and columns, averaging 150 troops, were seen leaving for, or returning from, exercises.

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3. On 26 July, the cantonment on Breitscheidt Strasse was occupied by about 400 to 500 troops wearing black-bordered black, and blue-bordered black epaulets; and red-bordered black epaulets with signal or motor transport insignia; and by a headquarters. At about 2 p.m. on 12 July, 150 troops wearing black-bordered black epaulets and blue-bordered black epaulets with signal insignia were seen entering the installation. On 13 July, 10 factory-new trucks without numbers entered the camp. On 16 July, about 30 to 40 troops were maintaining 30 trucks and 3 sidecar motorcycles in the barracks yard. 1

4. On 11 July, 5 x 132-mm rocket launchers, [] 12 trucks, 1 field kitchen, and 200 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets were seen en route to the Eberswalde railroad station, coming from the direction of the barracks installations, possibly the Schuetzen Kaserne. On 12 July, 5 trucks towing 2 x 85-mm AA guns [] and 60 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia were seen en route to the Eberswalde railroad station. On 17 July, a column of 25 trucks towing 57-mm AT guns, 20 x 120-mm mortars, 9 x 82-mm mortars, [] and about 400 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets passed through Eberswalde, coming from the direction

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of Bad Freienwalde and proceeding toward Berlin. On 20 July, a column of 10 trucks towing 120-mm mortars, 2 closed trucks, 1 field kitchen and about 110 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets was seen en route to the Eberswalde railroad station, coming from the direction of the barracks installations. [redacted]

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On 21 July, a column of 10 trucks with covered numbers and towing 8 x 85-mm AA guns; and about 100 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia was seen en route to the railroad station, coming from the direction of the barracks installations. On 18 July, a train of 25 flatcars with sideracks, carrying 9 x 85-mm AA guns and 15 trucks; and 7 boxcars, occupied by about 200 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets, was seen en route toward Bad Freienwalde, coming from the direction of Eberswalde. At about 8:15 a.m. on 23 July, a freight train, which included flatcars with sideracks carrying nine factory-new rocket launchers without numbers, was seen en route toward Eberswalde, coming from the direction of Bad Freienwalde. ² At about 8:15 a.m. on 26 July, two flatcars with sideracks carrying T-34 tanks [redacted] were attached to a freight train, which went in the same direction.

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5. On 18 July, the Schuetzen Kaserne in Eberswalde was occupied by about 3,000 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets with tank and signal insignia. Between 5 and 18 July, about 150 troops at drill and 15 x 132-mm rocket launchers were seen in the barracks yard on several days. [redacted]

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6. On 18 July, the Artillerie Kaserne was occupied by about 3,500 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets with tank and artillery insignia. Tanks and SP guns were seen in the barracks area. Intensive activity was observed in the barracks buildings and the barracks yard.

7. On 24 July, the cantonment on Breitscheid Strasse was occupied by about 250 troops wearing black-bordered black epaulets with signal insignia. On 22 July, troops seen in the barracks area were engaged in physical training and drill. ¹

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8. At about 2 p.m. on 27 July, three motorboats were loaded on four flatcars with sideracks at the Eberswalde freight station. The escorting personnel wore black-bordered black epaulets. [redacted]

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9. On 31 July, 20 x 132-mm rocket launchers, 10 trucks with numbers of the E 1-02-xx series, 1 field kitchen and 160 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets were entrained in Eberswalde. ³

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10. On 27 July, three assault boats were entrained in Eberswalde and left toward north. ³

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1. [redacted] Comment. The information does not indicate major changes in the occupation of the barracks installations mentioned over the preceding report of early July. See [redacted]. The occupation strength of the cantonment on Breitscheidstrasse, mentioned in paragraph 3, is highly exaggerated, whereas that in paragraph 7 checks with previous information.

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2. Comment. The shipments and movements observed are commented on as follows:

11 July. Probably entraining of a unit of the 312th Gds RL Regt of the Fourth Gds Mecz Army for Altengrabow. This unit, according to reports on transportation, returned from Altengrabow to Eberswalde on 24 July under shipment-record No 61831.

12 July. Entraining of units of the 63d AAA Div (US), presumably for Wustrow. Another source, on the same day, reported the entraining of light AA guns in Eberswalde. See

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17 July. the column belonged to the 6th Gds Mecz Div and presumably involved elements of the division from Bad Freienwalde, which transferred to Berlin by road. The composition of the column, however, contradicts this assumption to some extent, as the 240th Gds Mort Regt of the division is believed stationed in Eberswalde.

18 July. Possibly a shipment of AAA units of the air force, which, according to reports on transportation, went from Wustrow to Welzow on 18 July under shipment-record No 61866.

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21 July. Possibly a shipment of units of the 63d AAA Div (US) to Wustrow.

23 July. This shipment of nine rocket launchers had been observed in Frankfurt/Oder as early as 22 July.

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3. Comment. Equipment of the 3d Engr Regt of the Fourth Gds Mecz Army was presumably entrained on 27 July. On 31 July, the entraining possibly involved units of the 312th Gds RL Regt of the Fourth Gds Mecz Army, which went to a training grounds for firing practices.

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